



PARISH PASTORAL UNIT
ABBEYFEALE, ATHEA, TEMPLEGLANTINE, TOURNAFULLA, MOUNTCOLLINS



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Intentions for this weekend

6.30pm Bridget & Martin McLoughlin
Teresa O’Riordan, Banard.

10am John Griffin, Main Street Anniv.
James J and Margaret Collins , Convent road
Michael & Peggy Tattan and family members Killarney.
Jimmy Sweeney, Dromtrasna Anniv.

12noon Bridget Murphy 8 St Ita’s Road Months Mind.
Jacques Collins Rebecca Leahy and Joan Griffin Anniv.

Intention for the week

Mon 10am All Saints

Mon 7pm Denis , Michael, Bridget and Hannah Cronin

Tues 10am ALL Souls

Tues 7pm ALL Souls

Wed 10am

Thurs 10am Maurice Griffin, Main Street Anniv
Noreen Flynn, Mountmahon

Fri 10am Purgatorial

Fri 7pm Noreen J Murphy, Ballaugh Months Mins

Intentions for next week

6.30pm John Joe Broderick Anniv.
David Healy, Killarney Road Anniv.
Juliann & Jimmy Browne Main Street and deceased
members of the Browne and Lane family.

10am Tom Scanlon, Athea Anniv.
Peter O’Connell, Purt Anniv.
Kathleen O’Connor, Mountmahon Anniv.

12noon Johnny Lane, Kilconlea Upper Anniv.
Ita O’Connor, Rathorna 1st Anniv.
Patrick & Bridget Cleary, Birmingham & Main Street
Patrick & Kit Riordan, Purt
Dan O’Riordan 1st Anniv and Peggy O’Riordan Anniv.
Michael O’Shea Coolaneelig Anniv.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the main church every Friday after the 10.00am Mass until 6.00p.m. Why not consider spending a little time with the Lord. Entrance through the front door of the church.

They are not gone from us but gone before us.
Ní imithe uainn atá siad, ach imithe romhainn.

November is a time for remembering and praying for our loved ones who have gone before us and whose loss we feel. It is a time when we are particularly conscious of those in our parishes who are grieving and all those families who have lost loved ones in the past year. We mark this time of year in our parishes with events like the blessing of the graves, the celebration of remembrance services as well as commemorating All Saints’ and All Souls’ Day.

Belief in the resurrection of the dead is an essential part of Christian faith. It implies a particular understanding of the unescapable mystery of death. Death is the end of our earthly life, but ‘not of our existence’ (St Ambrose) since the soul is immortal. Our lives are measured by time, in the course of which we change, grow old and, as with all living beings on earth, death seems like the normal end of life. For all Christians, death is the passage to the fullness of true life. During the celebration of a funeral Mass we hear these words from the Preface of the Mass ‘For your faithful, O Lord, life has changed not ended; while our earthly dwelling is destroyed, a new and eternal dwelling is prepared for us in Heaven’.

1 November – All Saints Day

All Saints’ Day, also known as the Feast or Solemnity of All Saints, is celebrated every year on 1 November. On this day, which is a Holy Day of Obligation, we honour all of the Saints and ask them to pray for us. Mass on All Saints Day (Mon 1st Nov) 10.00am and 7.00pm

2 November – All Souls’ Day

All Souls’ Day or more formally ‘the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed’ is a solemn celebration commemorating all of those who have died and is observed on Tuesday 2 November. Mass on All Souls Day at 10.00am and 7.00pm.

A Prayer of Remembrance

God, thank you for the special people in our lives whom we are remembering in a special way during the month of November. We thank you for being a compassionate God who walks with us in our dark moments of grief and loneliness. We are thankful for all who continue to love and support us through our grief. Lord, continue to be a light for us, giving us hope, direction and courage. May we now live our lives treasuring the memories of those special people we have known and loved and help us to bring light and hope to others. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Prayers in the Graveyard

Prayers for all who are buried in our parish graveyards will take place on Sunday 7th of November beginning at St Mary’s graveyard at 2.00pm, the Old Graveyard at 2.20pm and Reilig Íde Naofa at 3.00pm. Even through the prayer ceremonies are outdoors, parishioners attending are advised to maintain a safe distance from one another and for additional safety are encouraged to wear a face mask.

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You can now make a donation to the parish, through the parish website. Click on to the parish website at www.abbeyfealeparish.ie and you will see a Donate button on the right-hand side on the front page of the website. Just follow the instructions and you will be able to make a donation to the parish.

Death

We offer our sympathy to the family of P J Lane, Killarney Road / Fealeview whose funeral took place on Monday. May he rest in peace.

COVID-19

Despite the opening up of all areas of society below are some points that we all need to keep in mind as we go about our daily business

*Be conscious of those in the community who have underlying conditions and continue to be vulnerable
Continue to support our frontline workers by acting responsibly at all times
67 Covid related deaths in Ireland were reported to health authorities last week. 58 died in October and 9 in September.*

The increasing numbers of people admitted to our hospitals with COVID-19 is putting the health system under increasing pressure and leading to the postponement of vital services for non COVID patients.

Continue to wear a mask while indoors in churches and public buildings

Parishioners are strongly advised to refrain from shaking hands with mourners when attending funerals

Ensure social distancing at all times

Christmas Lights fundraiser.

Play Bingo and support the Christmas Lights this Sunday. Our thanks to the Glorach Theatre for donating the profits of the bingo to Abbeyfeale Christmas Lights this weekend.

What is dying? I am standing on the sea shore, a ship sails in the morning breeze and starts for the ocean. She is an object of beauty and I stand watching her till at last she fades on the horizon and someone at my side says: “She is gone.” Gone! Where? Gone from my sight—that is all. She is just as large in the masts, hull and spars as she was when I saw her, and just as able to bear her load of living freight to its destination. The diminished size and total loss of sight is in me, not in her, and just at the moment when someone at my side says, “She is gone” there are others who are watching her coming, and other voices take up a glad shout: “There she comes!” —and that is dying. *Bishop Brent*